

applicant regards as the invention. Claims 17-19 have been amended to more clearly state and define the present invention.

Claims 11-12 and 14 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by U.K. patent application GB2308775A (herein after Futami). Futami discloses a portable telephone set and entertainment unit having a wireless headset. As illustrated schematically in Figure 2, the main body unit includes an audio reproduction unit which may take the form of a portable cassette tape (page 5, line 4) a compact disc, a mini disc, similar disc type device, or a radio receiver such as a radio set (page 14, lines 8-11).

The present invention as claimed in claim 11 includes a memory for storing audio for subsequent output to a speaker. The term memory is expressly defined in the application as computer memory, such as a RAM or ROM, which are solid-state devices. The definition of memory expressly excludes devices which require electro-mechanical drives.

The so-called memory in Futami is in fact a machine-readable medium such as a cassette tape or compact disk, which requires an electro-mechanical drive. Futami does not teach or suggest a solid-state computer memory for storing audio. The Examiner cannot ignore the explicit definition of memory contained in the application. Since the term memory does not include devices with electromechanical drives, the Futami patent does not anticipate claim 11.

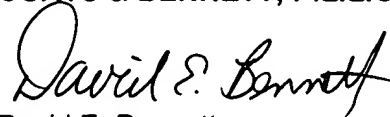
The examiner objects to the drawings because of problems addressed in the previously mailed PTO-948 form. Formal drawings are being submitted with this response to correct these objections.

In light of the above amendments and remarks, claims 11-19 are now in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested. If any issues remain unresolved, the applicant's attorney would welcome a telephone interview to expedite allowance and issuance.

Respectfully submitted,

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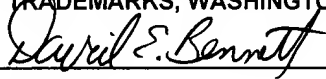
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